

Blossfeld
Pedigree

Flower-Seeds

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of the leading specialists:

Antirrhinum maximum (Sachs)

Begonia semperflorens

Cinerarias (Müller)

Cyclamen (Dlabka)

Gloxinias (Jank)

Primula obconica grandiflora

atrosanguinea (Mohnstein)

Primula obconica grandiflora

rosea and atrosanguinea

(Mueller)

Pansies (Schwanecke)

Stocks (Teicher)

Wallflowers (Figgel & Krebs)



Conditions.

Prices are in Dollars American currency.

Payments. Crossed bankers Dollar cheque payable at New York (New York draft) is solicited with order, and only in such cases immediate shipment is insured, as no further informations are needed.

Drafts in other currencies are accepted at the Berlin Dollar rate of exchange on the day following the day of arrival.

Orders are forwarded in strict rotation, post paid. Smaller ones are mailed as registered letters or (as registered samples, larger ones by parcel-post, unless other prescriptions are made.

All shipments are made on buyers risk, insurance in consequence must be made by the buyer if wanted. I may state, that of all my shipments in the past years, no loss has occurred, even to South-America and Africa.

All seeds shipped are of the finest quality, absolutely fresh, true to name, and raised by the most renowned specialists of this country. There are no finer qualities raised anywhere. But as the result is beyond my control, no guarantee whatever can be given.

Every order will have my best personal attention.

Communications should be addressed to **Robert Blossfeld**,
94 Neue Koenigstrasse, **Potsdam** (Germany).

Special Offer of Pedigree Strains.

Heavy competition in the markets in consequence of the economical stagnation which is general in all parts of the world, requires greater efforts. **Growers of plants and flowers ought to examine their methods of production in order to find out cheaper or better ways.**

When markets are glutted with plants and flowers, it is only the best quality which is picked out, and finds a ready sale whilst lower qualities are to be left. **You need the same care, and even the same costs as well for a good quality as for a bad, and if a poor quality is unsaleable, time and money are lost.** The reason of such failures may be lack of knowledge, neglected culture or unsuitable treatment. In such cases perhaps time will bring a change. But if the reason of failure is to be found in a poor strain of seeds, then efforts should be made to get the best strain in the market.

As I am specialized in high bred strains of the leading German specialists, whose strains are generally preferred by all German growers of quality plants, **no mistake can be made with such strains.** They are found by the most critical German growers the best of the market, they will easily enter into every competition with any others and every grower may also entirely depend upon themselves.

To my customers in all parts of the world and in general to all growers who are in search for «The Best», I highly recommend my pedigree strains offered herewith, and I am convinced, they will turn out as the best. It is really the cream of our leading German special raisers who are famed for their high bred strains.

Thanking most heartily for the confidence you honoured me with I may assert that I always strive to merit the utmost confidence in offering and delivering exclusively „**The best that money can buy**“.

Robert Blossfeld.

Antirrhinum maximum Novelties (Sachs).

Five New Varieties of Giant-Snapdragons.

The finest Snapdragons ever offered.

Apple-Blossom. Strong erected panicles with an abundance of flowers of a very delicate rose colour, throat pure white, very attractive.

Wallflower. This variety has the characteristic brownish=orange colour of Wallflowers, faintly flushed with purple, also the yellow in the middle is similar to the singular colour of yellow Wallflowers.

Gold. The well known, wonderfully fine ancient=golden colour, changing to the middle in brilliant terracotta.

Lilac. Lip and throat of a marvelous purple=lilac colour, with golden=yellow centre, especially big and great blossoms.

Nymph. Delicate rose=lilac with silk=white throat.

Prices: 100 Portions of any variety 3,00 Dollars

10 Portions of any variety 0,40 Dollar

1 Portion of any variety 0,05 Dollar

Seven Novelties of Giant-Snapdragons of 1921.

Golden Queen. Splendid brilliant dark golden=yellow with rose=lilac throat. The spikes are densely garnished with flowers, and have thus the appearance of a Gladiolus spike. The habit of this variety is somewhat dwarfer than the other varieties. A bed with such a wasteful abundance of golden blossoms is a heart's joy.

Canary-Bird. Of a pure delicate and uniform canary=yellow, of greatest beauty.

Snowflake. Of a delicious pure white colour with delicate yellowish throat. Indispensable.

The Rose. Flowers of extraordinary size, of the same fine and pure rose colour as «Queen of the Roses» of the grandiflora class.

Cattleya. Of a delicate transparent silver glimmering rose=lilac with yellowish=golden lip.

Copper-King. Velvet gleamy dark copper=scarlet colour. When opening, the brilliant scarlet colour is predominant, whilst the glowing copper colour appears later.

Diamond. Of scarlet=carmine colour with golden=yellow lip, and reddish=lilac throat. These three colours, combined in this variety, are very effective.

Prices: 100 Portions of any variety 2,50 Dollars

10 Portions of any variety 0,30 Dollar

1 Portion of any variety 0,05 Dollar

The two progenitors of the above offered varieties:

Purple-King. (Sachs 1913). Brilliant dark reddish=purple.

Cerberus. (Sachs 1916). Dark carmine=rose, yellow lip, and white throat.

Prices: 100 Portions of any variety 2,00 Dollars

10 Portions of any variety 0,25 Dollar

1 Portion of any variety 0,05 Dollar

Finest mixture of all 14 varieties:

100 Portions 2,20 Dollars

10 Portions 0,30 Dollar

These Snapdragons are the finest ever raised, and such varieties as Canary-Bird, Snowflake etc. are, as reported, very useful for forcing purposes.

Begonia gracilis „Pink Profusion“

(Benary 1920).

This is a very useful novelty notwithstanding the great number of varieties of the semperflorens and gracilis class. Height about 10 inches, makes fine thin growths which are branching richly, leaves but small, fresh green=brownish tinted, flowers middle sized, flowering in large and loose bunches. A single growth bears mostly 25 flowers and buds. The plants are overloaded with flowers. Colour of flowers is an uniform



rich «La France» colour, which is extremely effective in masses on beds or in groups.

Pink Profusion is very useful, also for pots and for flower baskets.

Prices: Tr. Pakt. 0,25 Doll., 1 Gramm 4 Dolls,

Begonia semperflorens „Liegnitz“.

Award of Merit 1921.

Very striking novelty, **especially suitable for pots.** Colour of flowers glowing pink with salmon shade, leaves large, dark=green, shaded with bronze. Especially early, free, and large flowering.

Prices: Tr. Pakt. 0,25 Doll., 10 Tr. Pakts. 2 Dolls., 1 Gr. 4 Dolls.

Begonia semperflorens (Schmid).

Raised by the leading specialist with an experience of more than 20 years. **The finest quality obtainable.**

Queen of the Dwarfs. (Novelty of 1922.) Of all dwarf varieties this fine novelty will prove the best. Plants are 2–3 inches high, leaves dark brown=red, flowers glowing fiery=red.

Fire-Sea. (Novelty of 1921.) **Award of Merit.**

This variety is considered as the finest *Begonia semperflorens* in the market, that will prove a rival of «Gloire de Lorraine» for potted plants. Exceedingly floriferous, in the open ground about 5 inches high, flowers up to 2 inches in diameter, of dark fiery=red colour, and so numerous, that the reddish=green leaves are almost covered. «Fire=Sea» makes sturdy and bushy plants, and is therefore suitable for all purposes.

Chatelaine Hybrid. (Novelty of 1921). After many years of very difficult breeding=work the raiser has reached his aim, and now offers this «Chatelaine Hybrid» true from seed. It is in growth, leaves, and flowers so similar to the well known «Gloire de Chatelaine», that he expects this hybrid will be preferred in future. The flowers are of a brilliant rose colour and very large, the plants are very floriferous and early flowering.

Defiance. A fiery=red flowering «Chatelaine Hybrid» with exactly the same good qualities.

Prices of all 4 varieties above mentioned:

Tr. Pakt. 0,25 Doll., 10 Tr. Pakts. 2 Dolls., 1 Gramm 4 Dolls.

Erfordia. Universally known as one of the leaders. Flowers rose=carmine, dark foliage, excellent.

Queen of the Groups. (Novelty of 1920). **Award of Merit.** Flowers nearly 2 inches in diameter, glowing dark=

rose, leaves bright dark=green, brownish=red tinted and bordered. Plants about 10 inches high, well branched and of robust growth.

Flame of Love. An Albert Martin with fiery=red flowers, very free flowering.

Albert Martin. Universally known, undoubtedly the best 10 inches Begonia with bronze leaves.

Queen of the Carpets. (Compacta atropurpurea). Dwarfed variety of the well known old Vernon Begonia, 6—7 inches high, flowers of fiery=carmine colour.

Wuerttembergia. Flowers up to 2 inches in diameter, glowing carmine=red, plants richly branched, height about 14 inches, very useful for groups and for pots.

Gracilis „Prima Donna“. Universally known, extra, large flowered, flowers rose=carmine coloured, height about 10 inches.

Gracilis „Luminosa“. Flowers fiery=red coloured, leaves fine brown=red, height about 8 inches.

Gracilis „Mignon“. Flowers scarlet, salmon flushed, plants of very robust growth, and of lasting effect. One of the best for groups.

Prices of all 9 varieties above mentioned:

Tr.Pakt.0,20Doll., 10 Tr. Pakts. 1,50Dolls., 1 Gramm 2Dolls.

Tuberous Begonias (*Gigantea grandiflora*)

(Schmid)

Single flowered. Dark=red, fiery=red, orange, rose, white and yellow.

Prices: Tr. Pakt. 0,20Doll., 10 Tr. Pakts. 1,50Dolls., 1 Gr. 3Dolls.

Single flowered fringed. Dark=red, fiery=red, rose, white, and yellow.

Prices: Tr. Pakt. 0,30Doll., 10 Tr. Pakts. 2,50Dolls., 1 Gr. 4Dolls.

Double-flowered. Producing about 90% double=flowered plants. Dark=red, scarlet, rose, white, and yellow.

Prices: Tr. Pakt. 0,40Doll., 10 Tr. Pakts. 3,50Dolls., 1 Gr. 6Dolls.

Mixture: Tr. Pakt. 0,40Doll., 10 Tr. Pakts. 3Dolls., 1 Gr. 5Dolls.

Notice. 1 ounce equals about 28 Gramms (Gr.), 1 Gramm equals about 25000—40000 seeds.

1 Tr. Pakt. equals about 300—500 seeds of new varieties.

1 Tr. Pakt. equals about 1000—2000 seeds of other varieties.

Cineraria hybrida grandiflora (Mueller).

Semi-dwarf.

This is the finest strain in the market, just what you want for pot-plants. Grown by Mr. Mueller, the famous raiser of *Primula obconicas*, you may entirely depend upon them. (For full particulars ask our spring-catalogue).

Prices: 1000 seeds 1,50 Dolls., 1 Gramm 3 Dolls.



Type of Mr. Mueller's Cinerarias.



Cyclamen.

The Original Zehlendorf Strain (Dlabka).

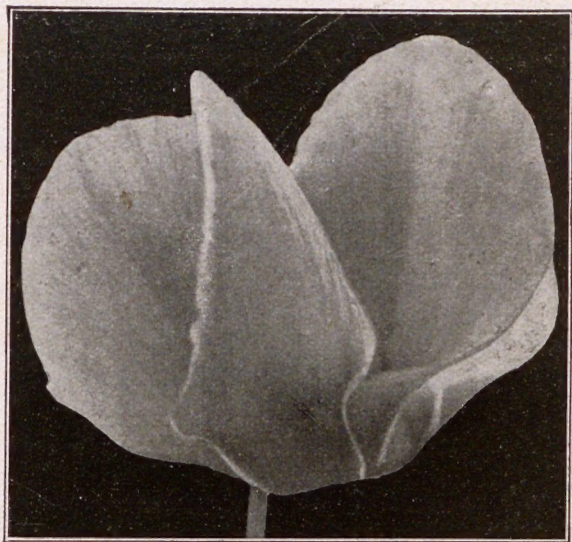
Raised by the leading German specialist Mr. Johs. Dlabka at Zehlendorf. This marvelous strain is unanimously considered by growers, experts, and by the German horticultural press as the most superb and leading German strain. It combines harmoniously all good, desirable, and valuable qualities, and

gives entire satisfaction even to the most critical growers. Full cultural description (See Florists' Review June 30th 1921), and particulars given with every order, no failure possible.

All seeds are hand-selected.

Ready to ship June 1923.

There are lots of Cyclamen-seeds raised in Germany, and lots of them are exported. There are few good strains,



**Type of flowers of
„The Original Zehlendorf Strain of Cyclamen“. (Dlabka).**

and many bad ones. The few good strains are worth any money, the bad ones are worth nothing. Mr. Dlabka's establishment is located near Berlin, and therefore under the permanent control of the much critical Berlin growers. His houses are open for every body at any time, and visitors from all parts of the world have been able to get convinced of the supremacy of «The Original Zehlendorf Strain» of Mr. Dlabka.

**„Do not buy cheap seeds, the best is never
to good“. (Florists' Review, No. 1292, Page 30).**



Seedparent of „Perle von Zehlendorf“ of Mr. Dlabka's Strain.

Prices of the Original Zehlendorf Strain:

		per 1000 seeds	
No. 1.	Glowing red (bright cherry red)	12,—	Dolls.
„ 2.	Glowing dark-red (Xmas red)	12,—	„
„ 3.	Bright rose (Marienthal)	12,—	„
„ 4.	Pure rose, extra fine var.	12,—	„
„ 5.	White with carmine eye	12,—	„
„ 6.	Pure white	12,—	„
„ 7.	Lilac	12,—	„
„ 8.	Perle von Zehlendorf, dark salmon, extra	15,—	„
„ 9.	Rosa von Zehlendorf, salmon rose, extra	15,—	„
„ 10.	Glowing dark red with salmon shade	15,—	„
„ 11.	Rococco, all colours, except bright rose, and salmon shades	15,—	„
„ 12.	Victoria, with fringed and coloured border	15,—	„
„ 13.	Dlabka's Bonfire, Novelty 1922, blinding salmon scarlet colour	20,—	„



***Gloxinia crassifolia grandiflora erecta* (Jank).**

On the left: „Germania“.

On the right: crisper „Fire-King“.

Seeds sown in January. Photo taken in July.

Gloxinia crassifolia grandiflora erecta (Jank).

I have been able to contract with the most renowned specialist in this line, Mr. Jank, and am glad to offer this pedigree strain as the finest strain ever raised. Special attention should be given to the variety «Jank's Traveller» with flexible leaves. This is the sole variety in existence which can be packed, and shipped without breaking the leaves. This Gloxinias will grow so quick, that if sown early in January, plants will be ready for sale in July and August.

Novelties of Jank's Gloxinias.

Germania. (Jank 1917). Throat fine blackish=purple, turning in glowing red with small white border. Getting seeds of this variety is very difficult.

Price: 1000 seeds 1 Doll.

Jank's Traveller. (Jank 1923). Large, dark=red flowers, the first variety with flexible leaves. Plants can be packed and shipped without breaking leaves.

Price: 1000 seeds 0,75 Doll., 1 Gramm 6 Dolls.

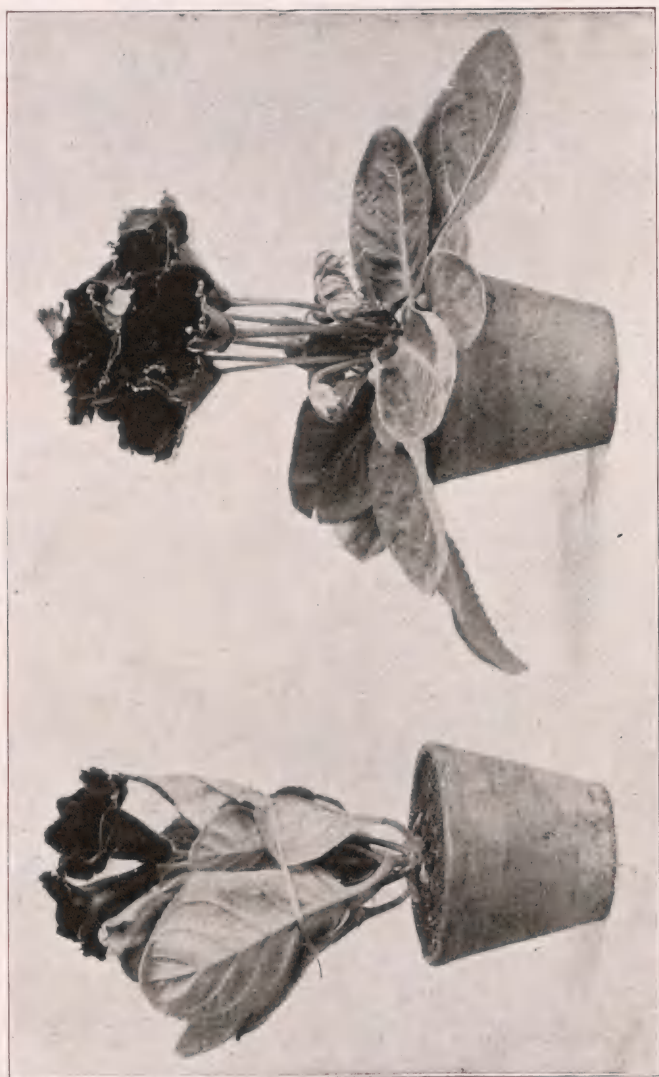
Notice: 1 Gramm equals about 18000 seeds.

Crispa Waterloo. (Jank). Centre blackish=purple, turning to the border in a bright glowing carmine. One of the finest varieties in existence.

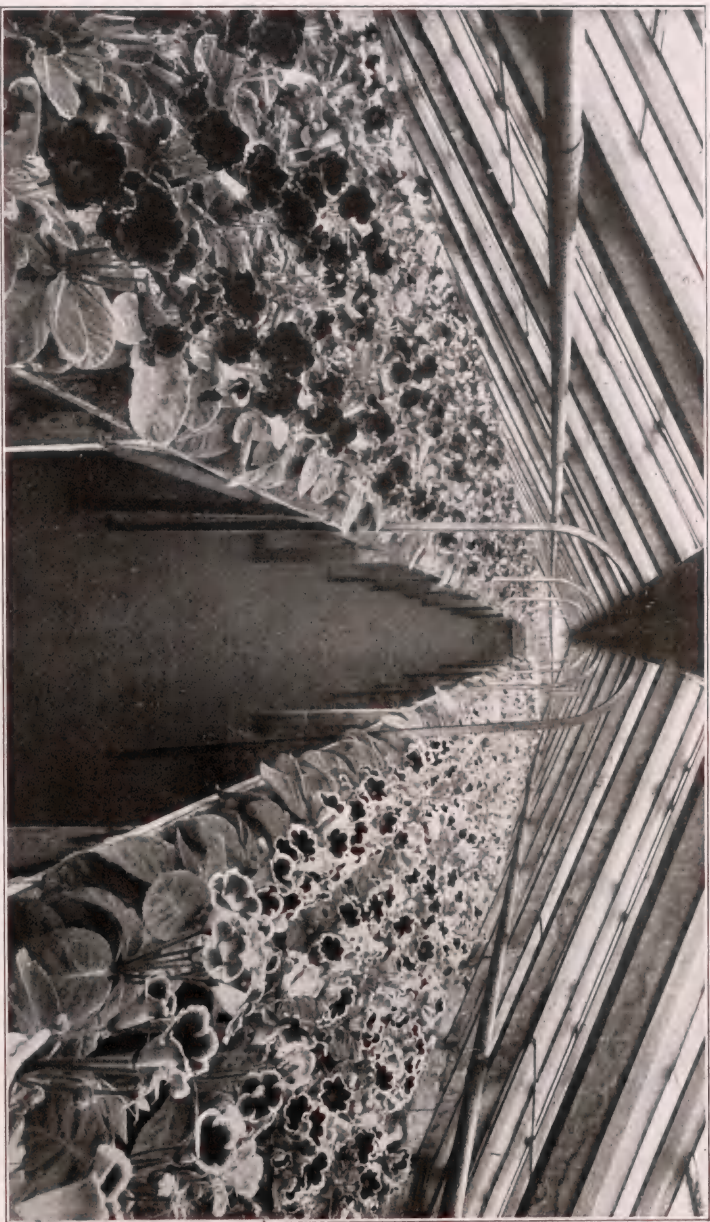
Crispa Fire-King. (Jank 1906). Especially well fringed, of glowing scarlet colour.

Crispa Meteor. (Jank 1906). Especially well fringed, throat white, turning over lilac in fiery=scarlet, very free flowering.

Fire-King. (Jank). This is the same colour as the variety crispa «Fire=King», fine variety of robust growth, flowers of a glowing dark=scarlet colour, very large.



***Gloxinia crassifolia grandiflora erecta* „Jank's Traveller“.**
Seeds sown in January. Photo taken in July.



House of seedparents of Jank's Gloxinias.

On the left in the fore-ground: „Jank's Traveller, Fire-King, Waterloo, and crispa Fire-King“,
 On the right in the fore-ground: „Sprout of Martenthal, Germania, Emperor Frederick, Blue, and White“,
 Seeds sown in January. Photo taken in July.

Defiance. (Scarlet=Queen). Improved old variety with enormous flowers, and good foliage.

Meteor. (Jank.) Same colour as crispa «Meteor», and with the same good qualities.

Emperor Frederick. Fiery dark=red with white border.

Emperor William. Dark=blue with white border.

Holsatia. Dark=blue, the best of this colour.

Sprout of Marienthal. (Jank.) Dark=red with rose border.

Sprout of Wandsbek. (Jank.) Dark=blue with light blue border.

Alba. Pure white.

Prince of the Negroes. (Jank.) Very fine deep=blue.

Nick. (Jank.) Pure white with broad dark=blue border.

Undine. (Jank.) White with a rose ring, very singular.

Othello. Blackish=blue.

Prices: 1000 seeds 0.50 Doll., 1 Gramm 5 Dolls.

Primula obconica grandiflora atosanguinea.

(Mohnstein).

Just when writing this catalogue, the able headgardener of the Poehlmann Bros. Co. at Morton Grove, Ill., Mr. Carl Mueller wrote me as follows: Sept. 20th 1922 «Dear Sir: — With great interest I was watching during the summer=months the obconicas raised from your seeds of the Mohnstein and Mueller strain, the growth was excellent, and even without flowers I had much pleasure. But now, since they are beginning to flower, I like them still more. The flowers are large, and of fine colour, and every visitor is surprised. Next year I do not grow any other varieties as those two, and we would like to have seeds of these two strains instead of the Arend's strain we ordered some time ago».



Type of *Primula obconica grandiflora atrosanguinea*
(Mohnstein).

The finest strain in existence, which formed quite a sensation when exhibited for the first time at the great Jubilee Exhibition at Berlin in Sept. 1922. If you were able to make a *Primula obconica*, you would make it like a plant of the Mohnstein strain. This strain is perfect! **Atrosanguinea is raised only**, but incomparably fine.

Price: 1000 seeds 1 Doll., 1 Gramm 3 Dolls.



Type of *Primula obconica grandiflora rosea* and *atrosanguinea* (Mueller).

The centimeter measure will give an idea of the enormous size of the single flowers.

***Primula obconica*
grandiflora rosea and *atrosanguinea*
(Mueller).**

This is also a strain which realizes the dreams of florists. These two strains of Mr. Mohnstein and Mr. Mueller are exclusively grown by the Berlin growers in the widest extent, because they sell, when plants raised of other strains are left.

Prices of *rosea* and *atrosanguinea*:

1000 seeds 1 Doll., 1 Gramm 3 Dolls.

See what Messrs. J. Schoen y Cia., Martinez near Buenos=Aires wrote Aug. 22nd 1922: «Many thanks for your letter of June 30th, and for the Primula obconica seeds, arriving a bit later, but in good order. My Primula obconicas, raised from last year's shipment, made me much pleasure, they were the finest in Argentine and Uruguay regarding enormous size and colour of flowers. If they were not so fine, it would have been impossible to sell them, as general conditions are very bad here. But as I told you, they found a ready sale. Other florists, to whom I sold young stock for growing up, have sold out also completely, and Mr. Reinoso of Montevideo, who got also young plants, reported quite extatical».

This means, that plants raised from my pedigree seeds sell, even when markets are glutted, and general conditions are unfavorable.

Pansies.

These are grown also by the leading specialist in this country, and Pansies, are the sole speciality in his family since 1852.

Full list in our spring-catalogue.		per oz.
No. 48. Giant Master=Piece	4,—	Dolls.
„ 63. Giant Beaconsfield	3,—	„
„ 68. Giant Goldelse (yellow)	3,—	„
„ 70. Giant Snow=White	3,—	„
„ 75. Giant Fire=King	3,—	„
„ 60. Giant Trimardeau, finest Mixture	2,50	„
„ 60a. Giant Trimardeau, Exhibit. Mixture	5,—	„
„ 107. Giant Trimardeau, individual selection per 1000 seeds	1,—	„
„ 108. Giant Trimardeau, Exhibit. selection per 1000 seeds	2,—	„

The Teicher Pedigree Stocks.

See Special Price-List.

Wallflowers.

The finest strain in this country, especially suitable for forcing purposes. Both strains are raised in our rough climate of East-Prussia.

Original Koenigsberg. (Krebs). For forcing. Very robust, makes sturdy plants, suitable for cut-flowers and pots, flowers of fine dark brown-red colour.

Glory of East-Prussia. (Figgel). For forcing. Very robust, makes sturdy plants, suitable for cut-flowers and pots. Leaves healthy, flower=spikes of enormous dimensions, flowers glowing reddish-brown.

Prices for both varieties: 1000 seeds 0,50 Doll.

If you are interested in the finest Novelties or the finest Standard varieties of Dahlias, fancy Caladiums in more than 500 varieties, Novelties of Roses or any other kind of plants, kindly ask for special offer.

Export of high grade German Strawflowers, supple Russian Statice (white) and other Immortelles, sole agent of the Association of German Dry-Flower-Growers, also of German Lily of the valley pipes.

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